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1. THE AUGUST 1 EDITION OF "DER SPIEGEL" ASSERTED THAT THE FOREIGN OFFICE IS PRESENTLY PREPARING INVITATIONS TO THE WARSAW PACT STATES TO DELEGATE OBSERVERS TO THE MANEUVERS PLANNED THIS FALL. THE ARTICLE NOTED THAT THE MANEUVERS WILL TAKE PLACE SHORTLY BEFORE BREZHNEV VISITS BONN AND THAT THIS YEAR THE RUSSIANS WANT TO ACCEPT THE OBSERVER INVITATION. THE ARTICLE POINTS OUT THAT AT THE TIME OF LAST YEAR'S MANEUVERS THE SOVIET MILITARY ATTACHE HAD NOT YET ARRIVED IN BONN, BUT THAT, SINCE HE IS NOW HERE, HE CAN ACCEPT AN INVITATION.

2. THE ARTICLE THEN SPECULATES ABOUT THE POSSIBILITY OF OBSERVERS FROM THE GDR. IT NOTES THAT THERE ARE NO MILITARY ATTACHES IN THE GDR OFFICE IN BONN, BUT POINTS TO THE POSSIBILITY OF EAST GERMAN ARMY OFFICERS OBSER-
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VING THE MANEUVERS.

3. THE ARTICLE THEN GOES ON TO STATE THAT THE FRG WANTS TO GO A STEP FURTHER BEYOND THE CBM'S AGREED AT HELSINKI. IN ADDITION TO NOTIFYING THE BEGINNING AND END OF THE MANEUVER, THE FRG PLANS TO PROVIDE INFORMATION AS TO WHEN THE UNITS PARTICIPATING IN THE MANEUVER WILL DEPART FROM

THEIR BARRACKS AND WHEN THEY WILL RETURN. ACCORDING TO THE ARTICLE, THE FRG INTENDS BY TAKING THIS STEP TO ANTICIPATE WHAT IT WOULD LIKE TO HAVE AGREED AT BELGRADE OR IN THE MBFR NEGOTIATIONS: "ENHANCED TRANSPARENCY" OF TROOP MOVEMENTS IN BOTH THE EAST AND WEST WHICH WILL MAKE SURPRISE ATTACKS MORE DIFFICULT.

4. ON AUGUST 1 THE FMOD, IN REACTION TO THE "DER SPIEGEL" ARTICLE, DENIED THAT THERE IS ANY CONNECTION BETWEEN THE DATE FOR BREZHNEV'S VISIT AND THE MID-SEPTEMBER MANEUVERS. THE FMOD SPOKESMAN ALSO DENIED THAT MILITARY OBSERVERS FROM THE GDR HAVE BEEN ISSUED INVITATIONS. HE SAID THAT ALL DIPLOMATIC MISSIONS IN BONN, INCLUDING THE GDR'S PERMANENT MISSION, ROUTINELY RECEIVE INVITATIONS TO MANEUVERS, BUT THE GDR MISSION HAS NO MILITARY ATTACHE.
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